

# Fast Food Fax

DEC 15, 2003

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was fair to moderate best where promotions were planned. Bone-in breast were clearing satisfactorily; boneless skinless breasts were fully adequate to available. Dark meat items were adequate. Wings were well cleared. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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## Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Nov. 29, 2003

### FOOD SERVICE/

	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	17,845	17,766	35,324	70,935
Percentage	25%	25%	50%	100%

### Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	4,564	6.43
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	2,183	3.08
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	4,309	6.07
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>6,789</u>	<u>9.57</u>
		17,845	25.15

### BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Oct 11	197,141	103	157,502	102	206,649	99	168,578	100	156,092	99
Oct 18	190,198	102	160,184	103	206,561	101	168,661	101	157,115	101
Oct 25	190,408	105	158,628	101	205,286	100	167,590	100	159,099	101
Nov 01	192,529	101	159,856	103	205,824	101	169,019	102	157,750	99
Nov 08	199,335	101	153,307	101	203,034	100	165,164	100	158,112	100
Nov 15	203,470	102	156,301	106	200,658	99	163,123	99	157,078	99
Nov 22	203,078	101	156,686	101	194,994	102	159,201	102	151,254	96
Nov 29	207,122	102	164,879	102	193,272	102	157,538	102	118,334	78
Dec 06	202,883	101	167,042	103	195,796	102	160,277	103	154,912	131

Data in bold are subject to revision \*Percent of previous year \*\*Percent change from previous week

### Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

#### Week of 12/15/03

	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
<b>NEW YORK</b> Grade A Ice-packed	60- 62	61.36	62.26	50.61
<b>CHICAGO</b> Grade A Ice-packed	56- 59	59.22	59.29	44.87
<b>LOS ANGELES</b> Grade A Ice-packed	74	72.35	71.79	65.10
<b>12-CITY COMPOSITE</b> Weighted Avg.		65.77	66.01	53.89
<b>GEORGIA DOCK</b> FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 69.00)		67.67	67.76	60.43
<b>SOUTHERN STATES</b> FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		51.83	52.47	37.08

### Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

#### Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast (Delivered)</u>	<u>Southern States (FOB)</u>	<u>Georgia (FOB)</u>
	<u>12/12/03</u>	<u>12/12/03</u>	<u>12/15/03</u>
<b>Breast - B/S</b>	145.60	135.21	169.50
<b>Tenderloins</b>	142.93	152.57	198.50 (Line run)
<b>Breast - Line Run</b>	77.24	84.59	89.00(Whole)
<b>Leg Quarters</b>	29.54	26.45	30.50
<b>Wings</b>	99.36	104.46	103.50